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APPOINTED BY MAYOR LEO P. CARLIN

A CITIZENS COMMITTEE WHOSE OBJECTIVES ARE BETTER HOUSING FOR THE PEOPLE OF NEWARK THROUGH LAW ENFORCEMENT, SLUM CLEARANCE, NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION, ADDITIONAL HOUSING, EDUCATION AND REHABILITATION.

THE COMMITTEE INVITES THE COOPERATION OF ALL PROPERTY OWNERS AND TENANTS IN AN EFFORT

"TO BUILD A BETTER NEWARK"

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A GLANCE AT THE PAST

The Program of the Committee on Neighborhood Conservation and Rehabilitation has included the following:

1. Focusing citizen attention and support on the possibilities of improving housing and neighborhood conditions through the rehabilitation of old buildings.

2. Accelerating the block by block inspection of slum properties by city inspectors.

3. Coordinating the enforcement program from original inspection through to final disposition in the courts.

4. Centralizing inspections (other than fire inspections) in one city division.

5. Reviewing existing city ordinances concerning housing conditions and considering amendments to strengthen them.

6. Studying the problems of financing rehabilitation. Some committee recommendations were incorporated in the new federal Urban Renewal Act.

7. Securing the appointment of one magistrate to preside over a single housing court.

A GLIMPSE AT THE FUTURE

In 1956 the Committee proposes to move into the less seriously blighted areas of the city and to gradually shift emphasis of the program to those areas. The Committee proposes the following program for 1956:

1. Existing ordinances concerning housing standards and demolition should be amended to raise standards and simplify procedures.

2. An office to furnish information about the program to landlords and tenants should be established in City Hall.

3. A city employee should be assigned to coordinate citizen and city activities.

4. Neighborhood Committees should be organized throughout the city.

5. A public relations and educational program including provision for speakers for the Neighborhood Committee should be developed.

6. An appropriation should be provided to cover expenses of organizing and publicizing advantages of the program.

7. City action on playground development, street closings, traffic and parking, in line with enforcement of housing and zoning codes in selected neighborhoods should be recommended.

8. Concentrated effort to enable City of Newark to qualify for F.H.A. Section #220 financing to assist property owners and the City of Newark to carry out this program.